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(U) CALIFORNIA

(U) Fresno – Sheriff, US Attorney Announce Meth Seizure, Arrest

(U) Fresno County Sheriff Margaret Mims and federal officials announced yesterday the seizure of a large quantity of methamphetamine and the arrests of seven people involved in trafficking the drug in Central California. Forty-six pounds of the drug, \$10,000 in cash, and five firearms were seized in the operation, which launched after a traffic stop by a deputy who pulled over a car in November 2017 with an expired registration.

SOURCE: 20 June 2018, Fresno Bee

(U) Huntington Beach - Police Will Use Two Drones in Yearlong Public Safety Test Program

(U) The Huntington Beach Police Department received the City Council's unanimous approval on 18 June for a one-year pilot program to learn how two drones can be used to enhance public safety. The program will include joint training and testing exercises with the Fire Department and Marine Safety Division, according to Police Chief Robert Handy. Drones are used in crime scene and traffic accident photography, SWAT deployments, shark detection, missing-person searches, and assessing structure fires and other emergencies, Handy said.

SOURCE: 19 June 2018, Los Angeles Times

(U) Stockton – Police Arrest Gang Members in Homicides, Other Crimes

(U) A nine-month investigation into a new subset of the Norteño gang resulted in the arrests of nearly a dozen people in connection with multiple homicides, several shootings, and other crimes in Stockton and San Joaquin County, police said. The Stockton Police Department completed its investigation on 15 June into the East Oak Street Norteños in which weapons and narcotics were found during the high-profile arrested, officers said.

SOURCE: 20 June 2018, KCRA 3

(U) NATIONAL

(U) Utah – Teen Plotted ISIS-Style School Bombing to Cause Fear, Cops Say

(U) St George – A Utah teenager told police that he tried to blow up a homemade device in his backpack at school because he had been looking at ISIS propaganda and wanted to cause fear, according to a video of the conversation shown in court on 18 June. The 16-year-old's interview with police was shown during a court hearing in the southern Utah city of St George as prosecutors made their case for trying the boy as an adult. The boy was arrested after Pine View High School was evacuated for two hours on 5 March when a smoking but inert bomb was found at the school. No one was hurt.

SOURCE: 19 June 2018, Associated Press

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(U) INTERNATIONAL

(U) Egypt – 32 Militants Killed in Army Raids in Sinai

(U) Sinai – Egyptian defense forces have killed 32 militants and destroyed 272 militant hideouts during raids at various places in the restive North and Central Sinai in the past few days, the Army said. The raids were part of the "Comprehensive Operation Sinai 2018," a major operation launched by the Egyptian defense forces in February to flush out insurgents and bring an end to the terrorism threat in the Sinai region. Additionally, 96 suspected and wanted terrorists were arrested during the operation. SOURCE: 21 June 2018, <u>Business Standard</u>

(U) Germany - Suspect in German Ricin Case Was In Touch With Extremist

(U) Berlin – A 29-year-old Tunisian arrested last week on suspicion of producing the lethal toxic ricin was in contact with extremists, and twice tried unsuccessfully to reach ISIS in Syria, Germany's top federal prosecutor said yesterday. Peter Frank, head of the GBA Federal Prosecutor's Office, said that the man, Sief Allah H., was not currently believed to have been a member of ISIS, but was deeply involved with the extremist scene.

SOURCE: 20 June 2018, Reuters

(U) Mexico – Four Killed and 25 Arrested After a Shooting in Mexico

(U) Mexico City – Mexico City prosecutors say four people are dead and 25 arrested after a series of shootings apparently related to drug dealing. Police responding to reports of drug deals found two people dead on the city's south side. Police chased the suspects and came under fire from gunmen on motorcycles. They reported killing two of the assailants and wounding another. Five guns, one car and 16 motorcycles were seized at the scene.

SOURCE: 20 June 2018, Washington Post

(U) Switzerland – Ebola Outbreak in Congo 'Largely Contained' Says World Health Organization

(U) Geneva – Democratic Republic of Congo's Ebola outbreak has been "largely contained" and no new cases of the disease have been confirmed since the last known sufferer died on 9 June, the World Health Organization said yesterday. The UN health body said it viewed the situation with cautious optimism, despite the difficulty of tracking down people who may have been exposed to the deadly virus in remote forests close to the Congo River. The outbreak has killed 28 people since early April.

SOURCE: 20 June 2018, Reuters

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